Comments to:

2014/2015 Proposed Changes Prince William Sound & Upper Copper/Upper Susitna Finfish

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Proposal 1. Oppose. The proposal is unclear but appears to allow for a 36 hour subsistence opener each week during the summer. This proposal would basically allow for commercial fishing under the guise of subsistence.

Proposal 4. Oppose. This in unenforceable. How would kings under 20 inches be handled? Most of the pressure on PWS kings comes from charter operators, mostly from Seward, if they are concerned with this fishery why don't they as an association hold themselves to what they have proposed?

Proposal 18. Support. This is a common sense proposal to eliminate what has become a very effective means of catching kings as by-catch. When necessary, gear restrictions are used to reduce the number of kings caught, however, the technique of "rolling up" enables a fisherman to get around the regulations.

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